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Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114 was filed in this application after appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, but prior to a decision on the appeal. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114 and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the appeal has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114 and prosecution in this application has been reopened pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on August 29, 2003 has been entered.

Response to Amendment

2. However, the abovementioned reply submitted by the applicant is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the amendments to the claims which are part of the aforementioned reply are not in strict compliance with the revised version of 37 CFR 1.121(c) effective July 30, 2003 as required. In particular, the text of each of withdrawn claims 9 through 20 is not presented in its entirety as part of the amendment to the claims as required. Also, the replacement drawing sheets filed on August 29, 2003 are not each identified in the top margins thereof as "Replacement Sheet" as also required under the revised version of 37 CFR 1.121(c) effective July 30, 2003. The above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

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3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ljiljana (Lil) V. Ciric, whose telephone number is (703) 308-3925.

While she works a flexible schedule that varies from day to day and from week to week, Examiner Ciric may generally be reached at the Office during the work week between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. ET.


If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Dave Scherbel, can be reached on (703) 308-1272.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0861.

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